

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

FEBRUARY 23, 1865.

Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

AN ACT

Amendatory of the acts relative to the Attorney General's office,
and to fix the compensation of his assistant and clerks.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That hereafter the salary of the assistant attorney general
4 shall be, and the same is hereby, raised to the sum of thirty-
5 five hundred dollars per annum.

1 SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That in lieu of the
2 provisions of law prescribing the Attorney General's powers
3 as to the employment of clerks in his office, it is provided
4 that the Attorney General shall be, and he is hereby, autho-
5 rized to employ in his office one chief clerk at a salary of two
6 thousand and two hundred dollars per annum, two fourth
7 class clerks (being one "pardon clerk" and one "opinion
8 clerk") at annual salaries of eighteen hundred dollars each,
9 two third class clerks at annual salaries of sixteen hundred

10 dollars each, and one first class clerk at an annual salary of
11 twelve hundred dollars, besides such temporary clerks as may
12 from time to time be needed: *Provided, however,* That the
13 allowances to such temporary clerks shall in no one year ex-
14 ceed one thousand dollars.

1 SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That for the pur-
2 pose of paying, for the current fiscal year, the increased com-
3 pensation above provided, the Attorney General is hereby
4 authorized, in addition to the amounts already appropriated
5 for the payment of salaries in his office in the appropriation
6 bill for the current fiscal year, to draw on and use from the
7 unexpended balance of moneys standing on the books of the
8 Treasury, on the first of July last, to the credit of his office
9 for the pay of clerks and messenger, or from any other ap-
10 propriation then standing to the credit of his office, and yet
11 subject to his control and unexpended, a sum not exceeding,
12 in the whole, twenty-four hundred dollars, towards such addi-
13 tional compensation for the current fiscal year.

Passed the House of Representatives February 22, 1865.

Attest:

EDWARD McPHERSON, *Clerk.*